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REMARKS

Claims 1-42, and 47-65 were previously canceled. Claim 46 is canceled in this Amendment. Claims 43-45 are currently amended. New claims 66-86 are added. Accordingly, claims 43-45, and 66-86 are pending examination.

Restriction Requirements

The Office Action addresses claims 1-65. However, claims 1-42, and 47-65 were canceled in a Preliminary Amendment filed September 17, 2003. As a result, out of the claims addressed in the Office Action, claims 43-46 were the only claims pending at the time the Office Action was mailed. The Office Action lists each of claims 43-46 as belonging to Invention I and species I-3. Since the only claims pending at the time of the Office Action fall within a single species, the Restriction Requirement is moot. For this reason, the Applicant does not make an election at this time.

The Preliminary Amendment also amends the specification and the drawings.

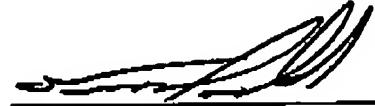
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CONCLUSION

The Examiner is encouraged to telephone or e-mail the undersigned with any questions.


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